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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**Applicant: Karl-Heinz STAFFA *et al.*Title: COLLECTOR TUBE FOR A HEAT TRANSFER UNIT
AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING SAME

Appl. No.: 09/936,567

Appl. Filing Date: 12/06/2001

Examiner: L. Leo

Art Unit: 3753

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE
 Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:** (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

[X] Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on May 24, 2004.

[] Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on __ but not considered.

[] Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on __.

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b. Enclosed are:

- Amendment/Reply.
- Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
- Information Disclosure Statement.
- Form PTO-1449 with copies of ___ listed reference(s).
- Other .

Miscellaneous:

- Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ___ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):				\$770.00	= \$770.00
Total Claims:	7	- 20	= 0	x \$18.00	= \$0.00
Independents	2	- 3	= 0	x \$86.00	= \$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:			+ \$290.00	= \$0.00	
			CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:	=	\$770.00

Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	0	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$420.00		\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$950.00		\$950.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,480.00		\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,010.00		\$0.00
	EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:			\$950.00
	EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID:	-		\$0.00
	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL			\$950.00
	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:			\$1720.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):			\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)			\$0.00
	TOTAL FEE:			\$1720.00

[] Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of \$0.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.

[X] A check in the amount of \$1720.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date 8/23/04

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